

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

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1877.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Peabody, qualified to vote in town affairs, held March 26th, 1877, it was

VOTED, That the Report of the Trustees of the Peabody Institute, together with the accompanying documents, be accepted, and that the same be printed for distribution.

A true copy of record,

Attest :

N. H. POOR, TOWN CLERK.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The Trustees of the PEABODY INSTITUTE present to the Town their Twenty-Fifth Annual Report, with the usual accompanying documents.

During the year past the affairs of its Institute have gone on in the same satisfactory and prosperous way that it has been the pleasure of the Trustees to report in previous years.

The officers remain very nearly the same as in 1875, and, it is believed, have all faithfully performed their duties.

The finances continue in the same very excellent condition as at the time of the last report. The funds then invested remain without change, and during the past year the sum of \$1125 has been added to the general fund, and \$1432 to the reserved fund, while \$500 more

were appropriated to the use of the Library and Lyceum than in 1875.

A larger proportion of the appropriation was applied, by the Committee, to the library and less for lectures, than previously. A course of eight lectures was given, of about the usual character. It is intended to make, before another lecture season, some changes in the hall that will secure to the audiences more ample means of speedy egress. It has been the custom to grant the use of the hall for dramatic and other entertainments. Great care has always been exercised in giving the permission, but, as the practice endangered the insurance, it has been decided, very reluctantly, that the custom must be discontinued. The want of a reading room in connection with the library has been greatly felt and often spoken of; and the matter is again brought forward by the Chairman of the Library and Lyceum Committee, as will be seen in his report. Such a room is a great need and will, as soon as possible, be provided. At present, however, there is no room available for the purpose in the Institute. For the rapidly increasing number of books new shelf room is required the coming year, and the officers report that a new catalogue will very soon be necessary.

The increasing usefulness of the library, as well as the appreciation of its benefits by the inhabitants, is evident from the fact that the percentage of increase, in the number of books loaned and in the number of borrowers, was greater the past year than ever before.

The Sutton Library is in excellent condition and its management has been satisfactory. It has been increased by about the usual number of substantial books of reference, and has received, during the year, a very valuable gift of books from its founder.

For full accounts of the condition and operations of the various departments reference is made to the reports herewith presented.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Trustees,

HENRY WARDWELL.

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer hereby presents to the Trustees of the Peabody Institute the seven following accounts and statements of the financial affairs of the Institute for the year ending February 26, 1877.

- No. 1. The General Current Account.
2. The Reserved Fund ditto.
3. The Reserved Fund Statement.
4. The Sutton Reference Library Account.
5. The Peabody High School Medal Fund ditto.
6. The Real Estate and Invested Fund Statement.
7. Schedule of Insurance on property of the Institute.

Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with Geo. A. Osburne, Treas.
1876.

		Dr.
April	5, To paid Gas bill, one quarter	\$82 95
	7, " Library and Lyceum Committee Department	1,500 00
	7, " Janitor's salary, one quarter	175 00
	7, " Janitor's bill of sundries	11 89
	7, " Cleaning lock	3 00
	27, " J. B. Lord, Jr., bill plumbing	16 95
June	30, " Town Peabody, use of water	18 00
July	8, " Gas bill, one qr. ending July 1,	47 56
	10, " Janitor's salary, one quarter	175 00
	13, " Clement & Pinder's bill for piping, etc.	25 04

13,	"	Potter, Batchelder & Co.'s bill for coal	180 75
19,	"	S. Trask's bill for lead pipe . .	2 47
19,	"	S. Trask's bill of work	10 23
19,	"	S. Trask's bill of work	9 50
19,	"	Mahew S. Clark's bill for work	144 16
19,	"	William Blaney's bill, painting,	190 98
Aug. 1,	"	For Dusters	3 75
2,	"	Watering streets	25 00
Sept. 8,	"	Lyceum and Library Commit- tee's Department	1,500 00
Oct. 2,	"	Gas bill	39 99
5,	"	Salary of Janitor, one quarter,	175 00
26,	"	For printing, to Peabody Press,	75 00
27,	"	Tree protectors, etc	11 56
Nov. 11,	"	W. F. Lawrence's bill for re- pairing seats	6 93
17,	"	1 City of Boston 5 per cent. Gold bearing Bond at 1.12½ . \$1,125 00 1 month 16 days interest . . . 6 39	<hr/> 1,131 39
Dec. 1,	"	Use of water 6 months, ending January 1, 1877	18 00
15,	"	Library and Lyceum Commit- tee's Department	1,500 00
27,	"	W. Goldthwaite's bill, matting,	40 90
1877.			
Jan'y 1,	"	Gas bill, qr. ending January 1,	91 35
3,	"	Janitor's salary, one quarter .	175 00
3,	"	Janitor's bill for sundries . .	21 40
12,	"	J. O. Whitten's bill	9 67
24,	"	Mahew S. Clark's bill for fence, and work on houses	106 36
Feb. 9,	"	William Blaney's bill	12 28
20,	"	Newman & Symonds' bill for Duster	3 50
		Balance	2,464 35
			<hr/> \$10,004 91
1876.			Cr.
Feb'y 26,		By Balance	\$2,287 26
Mar. 20,	"	Received of Robson, 1 month rent of house	20 83
April 6,	"	" 6 mos. interest on Town Peabody notes	2,362 50
12,	"	" Dividend Warren Nat'l Bank	15 00
May 13,	"	" April coupon City of Law- rence Bond	30 00

	23,	"	"	Rents for qr. ending Apr. 1,		195 83
	23,	"	"	For use of Hall		50 00
July	13,	"	"	2 City of Boston coupons,		60 00
	14,	"	"	Gold Int. on 28,000 Mass. 5		
				per cent. Bonds	\$700 00	
				Premium 11½ per cent. . .	80 50	
					<hr/>	\$780 50
	22,	"	"	Gold Int. on City of Providence Bond of 1,000 at		
				5 per cent.	\$25 00	
				Premium 11½ per cent. . .	2 90	
					<hr/>	\$27 90
Aug.	16,	"	"	Rents for qr. ending July 1,		237 50
				Use of Hall		87 50
Sept.	20,	"	"	Returned premium Franklin Ins. Co.		2 24
Oct.	1,	"	"	October coupon City of Lawrence		30 00
	6,	"	"	6 mos. int. on Town Peabody notes		2,362 50
1877.						
Jan'y	3,	"	"	Rents for qr. ending Oct. 1,		237 50
				Use of Hall		67 00
				2 City Boston coupons . .		60 00
	6,	"	"	Gold Int. on \$28,000 Mass.		
				5 per cent. Bonds	\$700 00	
				Premium 6½ per cent. . .	46 37	
					<hr/>	\$746 37
	13,	"	"	Gold Int. on City Providence Bond of \$1,000	\$25 00	
				Premium 5½ per cent. . .	1 48	
					<hr/>	\$26 48
	26,	"	"	Oct. dividend Warren Bank		15 00
Feb.	6,	"	"	Rents for qr. ending Jan. 1,		237 50
	6,	"	"	Use of Hall		65 50
						<hr/>
						\$10,004 91
1877.						
Feb.	26,			By Balance		\$2,464 35

G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer of Trustees.*

Correct—Attest:

C. F. WINCHESTER, }
 A. A. MESSER, } Committee on Finance.
 WARREN SHAW, }

RESERVED FUND ACCOUNT

Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with George A. Osborne.
Treasurer.

		Cr.	
1876.			
Feb'y	16, By Balance	\$500	16
May	3, " April coupon City of Lawrence .	30	00
	3, " May coupon City of Fall River .	30	00
	23, " Received of Mrs. Lord for qr. rent	43	75
July	14, " Gold int. on \$20,000 Mass. 5 per		
	cent. Bonds	\$500	00
	Premium $11\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. . .	57	50
		<hr/> 557 50	
	22, " Gold int. on Providence Bond of		
	\$1,000	\$25	00
	Premium $11\frac{1}{8}$ per cent. . .	2	90
		<hr/> 27 90	
Aug.	16, " Rec'd one Gas rent ending July 1,	43	75
Oct.	1, " Oct. coupon City of Lawrence . .	30	00
Nov.	17, " Nov. coupon City of Fall River .	30	00
1877.			
Jan'y	3, " One qr's. rent ending October 1st,	43	75
	6, " Gold int. on \$20,000 Mass 5 per		
	cent. Bonds	\$500	00
	Premium $6\frac{3}{8}$ per cent. . .	33	13
		<hr/> 533 13	
	13, " Gold int. on Providence Bond of		
	1,000	\$25	00
	Premium $5\frac{7}{8}$ per cent. . .	1	47
		<hr/> 26 47	
Eeb'y	" Rent of Mrs. Lord 1 qr. ending Jan. 1st	43	75
		<hr/> \$1,940 16	
1877.			
Feb'y	26, By Balance	\$252	86
1876.		Dr.	
Nov. 17,	To paid for one City of Boston 5 per		
	cent. Gold bearing Bond at		
	$112\frac{1}{2}$	\$1,125	00
	1 month 17 days interest .	6	39
		<hr/> 1,131 39	

1877.			
Jan'y 13,	" For City of Taunton 6 per cent.		
	Bond of \$500 at 111	\$555 91	
	Interest 11 days	91	
			555 91
	Balance		252 86
			<u>\$1,940 16</u>
	G. A. OSBORNE, <i>Treasurer of Trustees.</i>		

RESERVED FUND STATEMENT.

Fund first set apart for accumulation, consisting of 4 Certificates of \$5,000 each of Mass. 5 per cent. Gold bearing Bonds		\$20,000 00
Accumulations of same and investment as follows:		
Hammond House on Wallis Street	\$3,550 00	
1 City of Lawrence Bond	940 00	
1 Fall River 6 per cent. Bond	990 00	
1 City of Providence Certificate of 5 per cent.		
Registered Gold Bond	1,050 00	
1 City of Boston 5 per cent. Gold Bond	1,125 00	
1 City of Taunton 6 per cent. Bond	555 00	
Cash on hand	252 86	
		<u>8,462 86</u>
		\$28,462 86
G. A. OSBORNE, <i>Treasurer of Trustees.</i>		

EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY FUND—ENDOWED BY MRS. ELIZA SUTTON, OCT. 15, 1866.

<i>Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with Geo. A. Osborne, Treas.</i>		
1876.		Dr.
May 8,	To paid F. C. Merrill, Treasurer of Library and Lyceum Committee, the April interest on the fund	\$561 87
Oct. 12,	To paid F. C. Merrill, Treasurer of Library and Lyceum Committee, the October interest on the fund	543 75
		<u>\$1,105 62</u>
		Cr.

1876.		
May 8,	By 6 mos. interest to April 1st on \$20,000 City of Boston 5 per cent. Gold Bonds	\$500 00
	Premium 12½ per cent.	61 87
		<u>\$561 87</u>

Oct. 12, By 6 mos. interest to October 1st on \$20,000 City of Boston 5 per cent. Gold Bonds	\$500 00	
Premium $8\frac{1}{4}$ per cent	43 75	
	<hr/>	\$543 75
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		\$1,105 62

G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer of Trustees.*

Peabody, February 26, 1877.

PEABODY HIGH SCHOOL MEDAL FUND.

Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with Geo. A. Osborne, Treas.

To paid Chairman of School Com- mittee, 4 Gold bearing coupons of \$25 each .	\$100 00
1877.	

By one year's Gold interest on two U. S. 10-40 Bonds of \$1000 each	\$100 00
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G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer of Trustees.*

Peabody, Feb. 26th, 1877.

Invested Funds and Real Estate of the Peabody Institute.

Four Certificates of \$5000 each of Mass. Regis- tered Bonds, No. 461 to 480 inclusive	\$20,000 00
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Four Certificates of do. as follows:

No. 106	\$1,000 00	
" 107	1,000 00	
" 108	1,000 00	
" 112	5,000 00	
	<hr/>	8,000 00

Three Shares in Warren National Bank	300 00
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Two Town of Peabody notes dated Oct. 6th, 1874,
payable in six years from date, with interest
at $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. annually:

One note for	\$62,000 00	
One note for	8,000 00	
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Two dwelling-houses, one of brick on the easterly side, the other of wood on the westerly side of the land on which the Institute building is lo- cated	12,000 00
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The Peabody Institute Building and land, togeth-
er with its Library, Portraits and Cabinet of
valuables, not appraised.

One City of Boston Bond, No. 652. Cost . . .	1,010 00
One do. do. do. " 10,276. Cost . .	1,025 00
One City of Lawrence Bond, No. 100. Cost . .	940 00
One Certificate of Registered Bond of City of	

Providence Gold bearing, No.	1,050 00
One City of Boston Gold bearing 5 per cent. Bond, No. 1,118	1,125 00
Reserved Fund property as follows:	
Four Certificates, No. 79 to 82, inclusive of Mass. 5 per cent. Gold Bonds, \$5000 each	\$20,000 00
The Hammond House on Wallis Street	3,550 00
One City of Lawrence Bond	940 00
One Fall River Bond	990 00
One City of Providence Certificate of Gold Regis- tered Bond	1,050 00
One City of Boston 5 per cent. Gold Bond	1,125 00
One City of Taunton Bond	555 00
Cash on hand	252 86
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	28,462 86
High School Medal Fund, consisting of two U. S. 10-40 Bonds	2,000 00
Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library Fund, con- sisting of City of Boston 5 per cent. Gold bear- ing Bonds	20,000 00
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	\$165,912 86

INSURANCE OF PEABODY INSTITUTE PROPERTY, FEBRUARY, 1877.

On Peabody Institute Building	\$25,000 00
" Two Dwelling Houses	5,000 00
" Peabody Institute Library	9,500 00
" Peabody Portrait	1,000 00
" Everett Portrait	150 00
" Peabody Bust	400 00
" Piano and Furniture	300 00

SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY.

On Book Cases and Furniture	\$5,000 00
" Books	2,000 00
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	\$7,000 00

RESERVED FUND PROPERTY.

On Hammond House	\$1,000 00
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	\$49,350 00

The following are the policies insuring the above property, and time of expiration.

South Danvers Mutual expires June 1, 1877 . . .	\$2,000 00
do do " June 1, 1877 . . .	3,000 00
do do " Aug. 1, 1879 . . .	550 00
do do " Mar. 1, 1881 . . .	450 00

do do	"	July 1, 1882 . . .	5,000 00
Essex Mutual, Salem,	"	July 1, 1882 . . .	5,000 00
Salem do	"	May 1, 1880 . . .	3,000 00
Merchants and Farmers			
Mutual, of Worcester,	"	May 1, 1880 . . .	4,000 00
Liverpool, London and			
Globe,	"	Nov. 19, 1877 . . .	14,000 00
London Assurance Corpo-			
ration	"	Nov. 19, 1877 . . .	12,350 00
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			\$49,350 00

G. A. OSBORNE, *Treasurer of Trustees.*

Peabody, February 26, 1877.

Report of the Library and Lyceum Committee.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PEABODY INSTITUTE:

The Report of Lyceum and Library Committee for the year ending in February, 1877, is now laid before you, with the details of the doings of the year contained in the reports of the different members into which our body is by the rules divided.

This new instalment of our history includes but few things calling for special comment on my part, or that are calculated in any marked degree to arrest your attention. Much that is said must be but a repetition, in varying phrase perchance, yet embracing the same subject matters that have formed the staple of our reports year after year.

Nearly a generation is already spanned since the first Committee report was penned, and soon a generation will come upon the stage that will depend upon the written record for its knowledge of the early history of the Institute, and will know the kindly expression that beamed forth from the countenance of our benefactor only so far as they have been preserved by the skill of the artist and his success in portraying them.

In the meanwhile the value of our Institution has only just begun to be appreciated in all its length and breadth. Its immense capacity for usefulness in all that goes to make up the

material and moral welfare of the citizen, both in his individual capacity, and in his relations to the community in which his lot has fallen, have only just begun to be felt in all their significance. Blessings upon the name of GEORGE PEABODY, the large-hearted friend and promoter of education and morality.

The increased means placed at our disposal have enabled us to make large and solid additions to the Peabody Library, and the additions to the Sutton Library, both from the fund and from Mrs. Sutton's gifts, have been especially important.

Your attention is invited to the necessity for more shelf room in the Peabody Library room during the coming year, as reported by the Chairman of the Committee on that Library.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. M. STIMPSON,

Chairman of the Committee.

Report of Peabody Library Committee.

The Sub-Committee on the Peabody Library submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 1st, 1877.

The Library has received a larger patronage than in any preceding year, and it is believed that the percentage of the increase has been greater than in any other corresponding period since its establishment.

While the number of new cards issued has been about 280, the number of books borrowed has increased nearly 4000.— This may, perhaps, be accounted for by the enforced idleness of many of our citizens during these *hard times*. That they avail themselves during such periods of the privileges the Library offers, and spend at least a portion in reading such books as they can obtain here, is the best testimony to its usefulness.

The large sum which we have been enabled to spend for new books is shown in the crowded condition of many of our shelves. 1163 volumes have been purchased during the year, including bound periodicals and the Patent Office Report. Of these 108 were replacements of worn-out volumes, or duplicates. Subtracting these from the whole number, and adding the volumes which have been presented by individuals and

other institutions, and we have a net increase in the Library of 1103 volumes.

Beside keeping well up with the literature of the day, we have been able to secure sets of standard works, which were much needed. Among them may be mentioned the novels of Hawthorne and Disraeli, a complete set of the Cornhill Magazine, Todhunters' Mathematics, in twelve volumes, and the series of elementary scientific works published by Putnam & Co.

The card and other catalogues have been continued during the year. In place of the written catalogues, which require a great deal of time in their preparation and are soon worn out, it is proposed to have a number of blank books made of strong paper, containing, perhaps, fifty pages. Into them the printed slips of each month's additions can be pasted and arranged under the appropriate headings of Fiction, Science, etc., into which the Library is already divided. This will enable one to ascertain at once the latest books in each department. It is thought that they can be very cheaply made, and that with a sufficient number of them, the use of the Library will be greatly facilitated. The printing of a supplement to the general catalogue is a work which will have to be considered before many months. The number of new titles already approaches 4000. These, when printed upon the same plan as in the large catalogue, will make a volume of about one hundred pages.

It will be necessary during the coming summer to increase the shelf room of the Library. This can be done after the plan already adopted, and which has been found to work so well.

The desirability of having a reading room connected with the Library, that its usefulness may be most fully developed, has been urged many times in these reports. The opinion so often expressed by your committee is sustained by the best authority and by the experience of other Libraries.

Mr. Wm. F. Poole, Librarian of the Chicago Public Li-

brary, a gentleman of the largest experience in this direction, in a recent report upon their management, says : " A reading room, where the current periodicals can be kept, is a *necessary adjunct* to a public library." Our Library has now been established and in operation nearly twenty-five years, and is one of the oldest, largest and most useful institutions of the kind in the country, but in this particular it is far behind many of a more recent date and smaller means. We are aware of the difficulties that present themselves from the construction of the building, but we believe that if there is once a determination to establish this " necessary adjunct," these difficulties can be overcome.

For the Committee,

J. H. OSGOOD, Chairman.

Report of Lecture Committee.

CHAIRMAN OF LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE ;

The Committee appointed to arrange the Course of Lectures for 1876-77, beg leave to report that eight lectures were given by the following gentlemen :

Nov. 14, WM. PARSONS, of Ireland. Subject :—" George Stephenson."

Nov. 21, BAYARD TAYLOR. Subject :—" Ancient Egypt."

Nov. 27, WM. E. GRIFFIS. Subject :—" Inside Japan."

Dec. 5, DANIEL DOUGHERTY. Subject :—" The Stage."

Dec. 12, REV. E. C. BOLLES. Subject :—" Revelations of the Invisible World."

Dec. 19, REV. E. C. BOLLES. Subject :—" An Evening with the Microscope."

Dec. 26, PROF. R. R. RAYMOND. Subject :—" Miscellaneous Readings."

Jan. 9, PROF. N. CYR. Subject :—" Contemporary France."

We endeavored to secure lecturers of recognized culture and ability; and for the most part trust we were successful. It may be questioned whether it is wise or expedient to select other than purely literary and scientific subjects for our lectures. Too large a part of other lectures are only sensational and utterly pithless.

It was thought that a variety of subjects would best meet the taste of promiscuous audiences, and we allowed this consideration, in some measure, to guide us.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. HAM,

Chairman of Lyceum Committee.

Librarian's Report.

TO THE LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE :

I herewith submit the annual report on the condition of the Peabody Library for the year ending February 1st, 1877.

The number of volumes added to the Library during the year is 1,163. This includes 30 volumes of bound periodicals, and 15 volumes of the new issue of Patent Office reports, besides 100 volumes of replacements and 8 volumes of duplicates of works previously reported ; making the number of volumes of current and standard literature actually added to the Library 1,010.

48 volumes have been presented to the Library, as follows : From J. E. T. Bartlett, 19 volumes ; from Hon. Chas. P. Thompson, 7 volumes ; Smithsonian Institution, 6 volumes ; Secretary of the Maine Board of Agriculture, 3 volumes ; Hon. J. F. Hartranft, 2 volumes ; Dr. Samuel A. Green, 2 volumes ; U. S. Navy Department, 2 volumes ; City of Boston, Librarian of Congress, Mercantile Library Association of New York, Commissioner of Education, British Commission of the Centennial Exhibition, 1 volume each ; anonymous, 2 volumes.

3 copies of the catalogue have been sold, and 2 copies presented to other institutions during the year.

Lists of the additions to the Library continue to be published in the *Peabody Press*, and are posted on the bulletin board

as they are received. The manuscript catalogues have been brought up to July 1st, 1876, but the labor of making copies is so great that it is not practicable to put them in very general use. A number of copies are kept at the desk, and supplied to persons desirous of using them. This plan prevents much careless and destructive handling of the catalogues, which was found to result from their general use on the large table.

The circulation of books during the year was 30,523 volumes; an increase over the previous year of about 14 per cent. Of these books 75 per cent. consisted of fiction, 5 per cent. travel and description of countries, etc., 4 per cent. history, 4 per cent. biography, 2 per cent. scientific works and books of reference, 2 per cent. books on law and on mental, moral and social science, 3 per cent. poetry, 2 per cent. magazines, and 3 per cent. miscellaneous, including works in foreign languages, collections of miscellaneous works, etc.

There are now 3,478 names of borrowers on the index book; of these 315 have been added during the year, 282 being new applicants for cards, and 33 former holders of cards who had not for some time made use of their privilege. The amount of fines collected is 72.90.

209 volumes have been worn out or mutilated; 100 volumes have been replaced, and 492 volumes rebound. Nearly all the replacements are of books worn out in previous years.

The need of more shelf-room is felt, particularly in the departments of Art, Science, and Works of Reference. A new case on the westerly side of the Library Room, similar to those last added, would relieve the pressure of books, and will soon become a necessity.

THEODORE M. OSBORNE, Librarian.

Treasurer's Report.

Library and Lyceum Committee in account with F. C. Merrill, Treasurer.

1876.		Dr.
Feb'y	21, To paid Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	\$19 00
March	18, " S. S. Gilson's bill for periodicals	99 50
	23, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	123 63
	30, " Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	25 00
April	1, " Librarian, quarter's salary	250 00
	22, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	201 88
May	13, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	240 69
	20, " Post Office bill	1 61
	20, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	2 40
	20, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	4 00
	22, " Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	25 00
	27, " J. W. Ripley's bill for binding	3 75
	27, " J. L. Fairbanks & Co's. bill for blank book,	12 00
	31, " Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	16 00
June	9, " A. William's & Co's bill for Frazer's Mag. .	1 10
	10, " Schoenhof & Moeller's bill for books . . .	23 75
	10, " Smith & Porter's bill for printing	13 50
	10, " D. H. Townsend's bill for expressing . . .	3 25
	15, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	148 70
	15, " Jona. Perley's bill for binding	49 95
	29, " Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	9 00
July	3, " Librarian, quarter's salary	250 00
	7, " Post Office bill	1 89
	7, " Munroe & Arnold's bill for expressing . . .	4 40
	19, " F. R. Galloupe's bill for extra services . .	7 00
	19, " O. H. Woodbury's bill for extra services .	7 00
	20, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	69 27
	20, " Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	115 00

	20,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	81 60
	20,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	8 80
	20,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	53 47
	22,	"	U. S. Commissioner of Patents for plates and specifications of drawings of Patents to Feb'y, 1877	32 40
Aug.	14,	"	Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	8 75
	25,	"	Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	25 00
	25,	"	Jona. Perley's bill for binding	88 50
	25,	"	B. F. Stevens' bill for stationery	1 63
	25,	"	F. A. Walker & Co.'s bill for steps	25 50
	25,	"	C. D. Howard & Co.'s bill for printing . . .	42 50
Sept.	16,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	3 40
	16,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	116 38
	23,	"	J. W. Ripley's bill for binding	3 75
	28,	"	Salem Press' bill for binding	59 55
	28,	"	Salem Press' bill for binding	9 35
	30,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	72 00
	30,	"	Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	25 00
	30,	"	Salem Post Office bill	1 40
Oct.	2,	"	Librarian, quarter's salary	250 00
	2,	"	Post Office bill	1 21
	11,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	258 72
	11,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	18 80
Nov.	10,	"	Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	23 00
	14,	"	William Parsons, for lecture,	75 00
	17,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	14 84
	17,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	121 62
	21,	"	Bayard Taylor, for lecture	100 00
	27,	"	Daniel Dougherty, for lecture	125 00
Dec.	5,	"	Prof. Griggs, for lecture	75 00
	16,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	3 40
	16,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	276 83
	16,	"	F. S. Drake's bill for book	2 50
	19,	"	Jona. Perley's bill for binding	27 40
	19,	"	E. C. Bolles, Ph. D., for 2 lectures	100 00
	26,	"	Prof. Raymond, for readings	75 00
	26,	"	J. N. Ham's bill for expenses	5 20
	29,	"	Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	25 00
1877.				
Jan'y	1,	"	Librarian, quarter's salary	250 00
	1,	"	Post Office bill	83
	1,	"	W. E. Simonds' bill for extra services . . .	13 00
	1,	"	Assistant Librarian's bill for services . . .	14 00
	9,	"	Prof. N. Cyr, for lecture	65 00
	13,	"	B. M. Hills' bill for expressing	8 75

13,	"	Munroe & Arnold's bill for expressing . . .	8 40
16,	"	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	167 23
18,	"	Eri Littlefield's bill for attendance at lectures	9 00
20,	"	A. Storrs & Co.'s bill for cards	6 25
27,	"	W. F. Pingree's bill for attendance at lectures	9 00
Feb'y	3,	W. Potter's bill for services	7 45
	3,	T. M. Osborne's bill paid for sundries	4 07
	8,	John F. Moore, attendance at lecture	1 00
	8,	C. D. Howard & Co.'s bill for printing	27 50
	12,	C. D. Howard & Co.'s bill for printing	10 50
	12,	M. S. Clark's bill	40
	15,	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	124 05
	15,	Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	31 40
		Balance	299 16
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			\$5,022 76
			Cr.
1876.	Feb'y,	By Balance	\$440 23
	April 7,	By draft on Trustees	1,500 00
	Sept. 8,	By draft on Trustees	1,500 00
	Dec. 15,	By draft on Trustees	1,500 00
1877.	Feb'y	3, By received for Fines	72 90
		3, By received for Catalogues	3 00
		3, By received for old books and paper sold	6 63
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			\$5,022 76
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			By Balance \$299 16

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

		Dr.
To paid for Books	\$2,417 36	
" " Binding	242 25	
" " Lectures	634 00	
" " Librarian	1,000 00	
" " Assistant Librarians	249 20	
" " Printing and Advertising	94 00	
" " Express hire	24 80	
" " Postage, Stationery and Incidentals	61 99	
Balance	299 16	
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		\$5,022 76

	Cr.
By Balance	\$440 23
By drafts on Treasurer of Trustees	4,500 00
By received for Fines and Catalogues, and Paper Stock sold	82 53
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	\$5,022 76
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By Balance	\$299 16

FRANK C. MERRILL, *Treasurer.*

Report of Committee on Sutton Reference Library.

The Sub-Committee in charge of the Eben Sutton Reference Library submit their annual report.

One hundred and twenty-three (123) volumes have been purchased during the year, and thirty-nine volumes of the Illustrated London News have been presented by Mrs. Eliza Sutton.

The number of volumes now in the library is twelve hundred and sixty-six (1266.)

The Committee find it no easy task to make a proper selection of books for this library, as the appropriation now yearly made for the Peabody Library enables their Committee to purchase many books which otherwise would be placed on the shelves of this library.

As most of this class of books can be taken home from that library upon certain conditions, it becomes almost imperative upon those who are members of both the Sutton and Peabody Library Committees in their selection of the library to which they shall assign their purchases, to give the preference to the one whose rules allow most freedom in the use of the selected books.

The Sutton Committee are therefore obliged to confine their purchases to those books which will not be likely to be bought by the parent library, keeping in view the object for which this library was founded, and the funds at their disposal.

A list of books added to this library is appended to this report; very few of which are duplicates of those in the other library, and those only which seemed to be absolutely necessary for the convenience of those consulting the library.

It will be seen that a mistake in the number of books was inadvertently made in last year's report; 962 should have been 1105.

The duties of the Librarian and Janitor have, as in former years, been discharged with the accustomed fidelity and promptitude.

For the Committee,

J. WARREN UPTON, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report.

EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY.

In account with Frank C. Merrill, Treasurer.

1876.		Dr.
March 23,	To paid W. F. Draper's bill for Bibleotheca Sacra .	4 10
30,	" N. E. Historical and Genealogical Register for 1876	3 00
April 1,	" Librarian, quarter's salary	62 50
4,	" Gas bill	14 35
26,	" Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	356 80
May 29,	" Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	11 39
June 1,	" Prince Society's bill for book	5 15
10,	" Schoenhof & Moeller's bill for books . . .	10 25
July 7,	" Librarian, quarter's salary	62 50
7,	" Gas bill	7 24
7,	" Munroe & Arnold's bill, express	2 85
20,	" Chas. D. Howard & Co's bill, printing . . .	9 00
20,	" M. S. Clark's bill	30 61
Aug. 2,	" Newman & Symonds' bill	3 75
9,	" Sanger, Hood & Co's bill for coal	83 25
Sept. 16,	" Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	269 00
Oct. 2,	" Gas bill	4 41
2,	" Librarian, quarter's salary	62 50
21,	" C. D. Howard & Co's bill for printing . . .	7 65
Nov. 2,	" Munroe & Arnold's bill for expressing . . .	15
2,	" J. H. Teague's bill for services as Janitor, etc.	57 00
17,	" Estes & Lauriat's bill for books	162 00
1877.		
Jan'y 1,	" Librarian, quarter's salary	62 50
1,	" Gas bill	13 54
17,	" N. E. Historical and Genealogical Register for 1877	3 00
27,	" Munroe & Arnold's bill for expressing . . .	1 65
	Balance	408 34
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		\$1,718 39

1876.			Cr.
Feb'y 20,	"	By Balance	\$612 77
May	"	By sale of \$500 Gold Int. on Sutton Fund .	561 87
Oct. 12,	"	By sale of \$500 Gold Int. on Sutton Fund .	543 75
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			\$1,718 39
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By balance			\$408 34

SUMMARY OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNTS.

	Dr.
To paid for Books	\$824 60
“ “ Printing	16 65
“ “ Librarian	250 00
“ “ Janitor	50 00
“ “ Coal and Gas	122 79
“ “ Incidentals	46 01
Balance	408 35
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	\$1,718 39
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	Cr.
By Balance	612 77
By Income from the Sutton Fund	1,105 62
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	\$1,718 39
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By Balance	\$408 34

FRANK C. MERRILL, *Treasurer.*

BOOKS ADDED TO E. D. SUTTON LIBRARY, 1876-7.

Peerage and Baronetage of the British Empire, B. Burke, 1876.

Landed Gentry of Great Britain and Ireland, 5th edition, 2 vols., 1875.

Cyclœpedia of Biblical Literature, McClintock and Strong, Vol. 6, ME—NEV., 1876.

India and its Native Princes, Louis Rousselet, 1876.

Nouvelle Biographie Generale, M. L. D. Hoefer, 46 vols., 1862-66.

Salem Witchcraft, Charles W. Upham, 2 vols., 1867. Large paper.

North American Indian Portfolio, George Catlin, 1844.

Dictionnaire de L'Architecture, M. Viollet Le Duc, 10 vols., 1868-73.

Practical Treatise on Aids, Alkalies, and Salts, Richardson and Watts, 2 vols., 1867.

Bibliotheca Sacra for 1875, Vol. 32, Prof. Park and G. E. Day, Eds.

N. E. Historical and Genealogical Register, 1875, Vol. 29.

Notes and Queries, 1875, Vols. 3 and 4 of 5th series.

Publications of the Prince Society, 1876.

Encyclopædia Britannica, Vols. 4 and 5, Bok-Cle, 1876.

History of the University of Oxford, R. Ackerman, 2 vols., 1814.

Royal Atlas of Modern Geography, A. Johnston, 1876.

The Harvard Book, Series of Historical and Biographical Sketches, Veille & Clark, 2 vols., 1875.

History of the Indian Tribes of North America, McKenney & Hall, 3 vols., 1848-50.

Ecclesiastical Chronicle for Scotland, Rev. J. F. Gordon, 4 vols., 1867.

The Shakespeare Society's Papers, 20 vols., 1842-53.

Memoirs of the Beauties of the Court of Charles Second, Mrs. Jameson, 1861.

Dictionnaire des Sciences Philosophiques, M. Franch, 1875.

North American Indians, George Catlin, 2 vols., 1876.

Dictionary of Biography and Mythology, J. Thomas, 2 vols., 1875.

Dictionary of British and American Authors, S. A. Allibone, 3 vols., 1874-76.

L'Art Revue Hebdomadaire Illustree, A. Ballue, 7 vols., 1875-6.

Genealogical History of the Dormant Peerages of the British Empire, B. Burke, 1866.

39 volumes Illustrated London News.

